THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) to (c) State Government of Assam had forwarded a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Storm Water Drainage for Bahini and Noonmati Basin at Guwahati for consideration under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM). The project has been technically approved at an estimated cost of Rs. 125.36 crore and shall be taken up for consideration as per guidelines of JNNURM.

Proposals for Metro Rail

†2996. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals from any cities/metropolitan cities have been received for starting Metro Rail transport services based Island on Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) system;

(b) whether action is being taken or proposed to be taken to start the project in pursuance of the proposals received;

(c) whether proposal for Metro Rail has been received for any city of Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) Yes, Sir. The Central Government have received proposal for taking up Metro Rail Project on Build-Operate-Transfer (BoT) System for Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh) and Mumbai (Maharashtra).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir. No detailed project report has been received for metro rail for any city of Rajasthan.

(d) Does not arise.

Shortage of drinking water in cities

2997. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any acute shortage of drinking water in metropolitan cities;

(b) whether it is proposed to take steps to provide safe water in metropolitan cities;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) to (d) As per the information collected from various State Level Agencies/Urban

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.